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TO: Mr. President and Member of the City Council

Councillor Michael Hart submits the attached Minutes and recommendations of the Public Safety Committee meeting held on May 24, 2012.


City Councillor Michael J. Hart

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**MINUTES OF THE PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE MEETING
HELD ON MAY 24, 2012**

A City Council/Public Safety Committee meeting was held on Thurs., May 24, 2012 at 7:00P.M. in the City Council office, Room 204, City Hall.

Committee Members present: Committee Chairperson Michael Hart and Councillor McGonagle. Councillor Daly O'Brien was absent.

Attendees: Peter Carroll, MBTA, Section Chief, Transportation for Railroad Operations

The following items were discussed:

1. Document #74-W/11 – Communication from Councillor Daly O'Brien requesting a discussion about lights at Kenoza Avenue and Webster Street. *Chairman Hart stated it has been reported to the City Council that it would be too expensive to remove the lights. Instead, a camera will be installed.*
2. Document 97-T/11 – Communication from Councillor Scatamacchia requesting a discussion regarding parking on River Street. *This item was referred to the Traffic & Safety Committee for review. The Traffic & Safety Committee recommended this be referred to the Parking Commission. Councillor Scatamacchia requested to have this tabled for now.*
3. Document 12-U – Communication from Councillor McGonagle requesting a discussion regarding the issue of public safety as it relates to the railroad tracks. *Mr. Peter Carroll attended on behalf of the MBTA. He stated there are more accidents than there should be. The MBTA has a Safety Department as does AMTRAK (Downeaster), MBCR (Passenger) Pan Am (Freight). Mr. Carroll will give Councillor McGonagle contact numbers so that he can set up possible educational awareness programs for the community.*

Respectfully submitted,

Michael J. Hart
Michael J. Hart, Chairperson
Public Safety Committee

May 29, 2012